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## **GLENDAL GLITTERS MEETS JACK FROST FOR WINTER WONDERLAND WEEKEND DEC. 28-29**

**GLENDAL, Ariz.** – Won't it be nice to play in the snow without having to shovel your driveway? You won't need snow tires to head to downtown Glendale for Winter Wonderland Weekend, Dec. 28-29, from 6-10 p.m. each evening.

Winter Wonderland weekend will feature a children's snow field, so bring the mittens and sip hot cocoa, as you enjoy delightful winter fun not usually found in Arizona. One exciting highlight of the event will be ice sculptures carved right before your eyes, created by Ice Sculptures by Armitage. Between 8-9 p.m. on Friday, this dazzling artwork will be made from 300 pounds of water!

More winter fun will include a free make-and-take snowflake craft, face-painting, a caricaturist, a train ride and inflatable rides, in addition to the regular horse-drawn carriages rides offered. Arts and crafts merchandise vendors will be on hand, as well as delicious food and beverage offerings.

If you'd like to sit and watch a flick, bring blankets to sprawl out on the grass to catch the winter animated classic "Ice Age," showing at 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. both evenings.

The snowfield will allow kids the rare opportunity to create their own Frosty the Snowman. To make it even more magical, snow will fall at the snowfield throughout the evening as the children play.

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**Winter Wonderland**  
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Many of the downtown merchants will offer extended hours for shoppers looking for bargains at the post-holiday sales! For a listing of downtown merchants, call the Visitor Center at 623-930-4500, or visit the web site at [www.visitglendale.com](http://www.visitglendale.com).

The Banner Children's Hospital will feature the following entertainment from local community groups:

Friday	Dec. 28	
	6:00	L.A. Dance
	7:00	Dance Gallerie Performance Center
	8:00	No stage entertainment (ice sculpture demo in the park)
	9:00	Arizona Broadway Theatre
Saturday	Dec. 29	
	6:00	Oasis Gymnastics
	7:00	Ballet Forme
	8:00	Orangewood Cheer and Dance Team
	9:00	Arizona Broadway Theatre

Winter Wonderland weekend is sponsored by The Arizona Republic, APS, Sanderson Ford, KTVK Channel 3, 7-UP, Arizona Broadway Theatre, KOOL-FM, KMLE Country 108, 101.5 JAMZ and Banner Children's Hospital.

Glendale Glitters' Winter Wonderland offers free admission and free parking. For more information on the weekend events, call the Special Event Hotline at 623-930-2299 or visit [www.glendaleaz.com/events](http://www.glendaleaz.com/events).

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